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REDEYE TIP OF THE DAY Looking for a midweek chill spot? Check out our **favorite corner bars** roundup at **metromix.com**.

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MTV LAUNCHES FANTASY ELECTION GAME

CNN

MTV is hoping to give its get-out-the-vote campaign a viral boost with an online game, inspired by fantasy sports, that rewards players for participating in the 2012 elections.

Gamers will rack up points in "Fantasy Election '12" for registering to vote, watching debates and publicly supporting candidates with transparent fundraising records and who refrain from political mudslinging.

"This can be can be a crash course in what people should demand from those pursuing the privilege of elected office," said Jason Rzepka, MTV's vice president of public affairs, who revealed details about the game in advance of its Tuesday launch.

As in fantasy football or baseball, "Fantasy Election" is an online social game in which participants strategically build virtual teams of candidates and compete against other players from around the country for glory and prizes. Players can "draft" any candidate running for the U.S. presidency, the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives.

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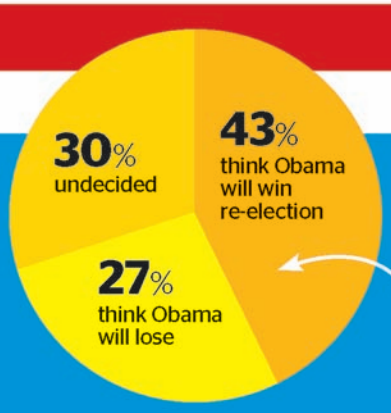
» A transparency fundraising score from the Center for Responsive Politics, which publicizes campaign contribution and spending data. For instance, Ron Paul would score well in this category, given that he famously tried to disclose every single campaign expenditure—even a 22-cent purchase at FedEx.

» Frequency of social media engagement on Twitter and Facebook.

» Declaring their stances on Project Vote Smart's "Political Courage Test," which "measures each candidate's willingness to provide citizens with their positions on key issues."

» Discussing substantive issues rather than airing "uncivil, personal ads," as ranked by the Wesleyan Media Project, which houses a public database of information on the "content and targeting" of broadcast television advertisements from around the country.

According to Gallup, the Millennial generation—mostly people now in their 20s—are the only age group to show a significant drop in whether they "care a good deal who is elected president next year," from 81 percent in 2007 to 69 percent in 2011.



MILLENNIAL STATE OF MIND

More 18- to 29-year-olds think President Obama will win re-election in November (43 percent win; 27 percent lose), according to a report Tuesday from Harvard's Institute of Politics. The gap between Obama and GOP front-runner Mitt Romney also has widened (to 17 points) since the poll was last taken four months ago.

Girls don't need all the answers

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Have you heard? Young women are rocking it!

A bevy of articles in 2011 described Millennial men stuck in extended adolescence, living in their parents' basements, passing time until their bands make it, developing PBR guts and PlayStation thumbs.

And while the boys floundered, the Gen Y women flourished, graduating college, holding down stable jobs and having fantastic hair days. As Blue Ivy would say if she could talk: Girls run the world.

Except that we really don't.

Millennial ladies are flubbing up right alongside their Y-chromosomed peers. We are stuck in entry-level positions we outgrew two years ago. We are dating Mr. Not-So-Right because he has Bob Dylan on vinyl. We are pretending we are 21 on Thursday nights and feeling 46 on Friday mornings as we climb onto the "L" clutching our double lattes. We may not be failing, but we are flailing a bit.

Perhaps because of social conditioning, we are just a bit quieter about our 20-something transgressions. Pretty, pretty princesses don't stride with pride or Facebook their fumbles.

Or perhaps, like most things, the media—be it Hollywood, NPR or Fox News—are interested only in the latest crisis of the young man. When women surpass men in college graduation rates, there is a "manning up" crisis. When women make up only 15 percent of the TV show writers—down from 29 percent three years ago, according to a study by San Diego State University's Center for the Study of Women in Television and Film—it is an "unfortunate effect of the recession."

Despite the loss of female writers in the media, there have been a few female-driven hits recently, the latest being HBO's new series "Girls," which was written by 24-year-old professional muck up-er Lena Dunham. The show has been characterized as a "young 'Sex and the City,'" although it is more accurate to compare it to a female "American Pie" sequel—only funny, genuine and with less abhorrent and more just pathetic sex.

From losing her unpaid internship to having truly hideous sex to eating a cupcake in the bathtub, "Girls" protagonist Hannah gives a voice to those young women who, like young men, just don't seem to have their act together yet.

Believe it or not, this is a story young women need to hear. Women's roles in media oscillate between being powerless damsels who need to be saved by princes to virtuous saints who need to tame the savage man. Think Bella and Sooki.

Luckily times—and hopefully soon the media—are a-changin'. Neither society nor men need women to be their saving grace and the gender of redemption. It is OK for women to flounder a bit now too—to take that unpaid internship; to date the wrong people; to go to India to save the whales; to get a regrettable tattoo; to try to make it as a writer, musician, meditation specialist; to "date" the really, really, really wrong people.

Of course there are 20-somethings getting hitched and popping out babies, but there also will be those among us who will mess around through our 20s before we get to the uterus-profile-picture-on-Facebook stage of life.

To all those worried real adults—my mother included—I would like to say: Relax, the kids are going to be OK. And mom, you'll get your grandbabies ... in a decade or so. But until then, I would like to tell you via the inspiring words of Hannah: "I'm busy trying to become who I am."

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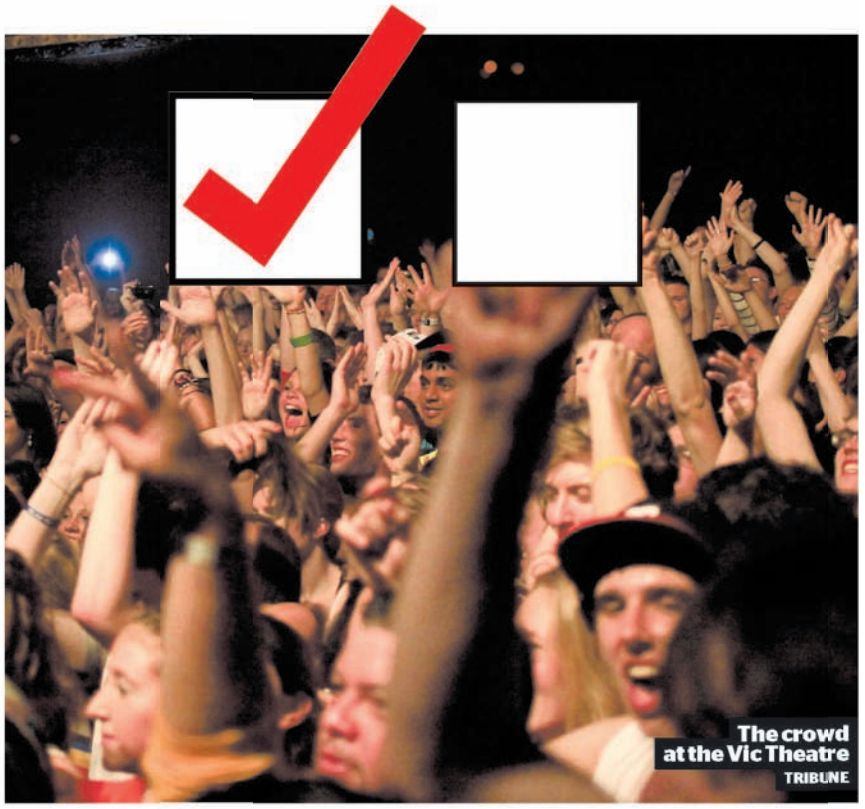
CORRECTION

James McKay is the lawyer shown in a courtroom sketch on Page 4 on Tuesday. The caption incorrectly identified him.



The crowd at the Vic Theatre
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ROCK THEN VOTE ... THEN ROCK SOME MORE

We've been eager to announce the 10 finalists for RedEye's 2012 Rock 'n' Vote contest for some time now, and it's finally time! Check out **Pages 18-19** to scope out all the local bands that made the cut, then use these friendly reminders to help you spread the word about your favorites through social media.

@redeyechimusic
Big announcements about the finalists and voting will come from RedEye's music Twitter account. Follow us for updates!

#RockNVote
Be sure to use this hashtag when tweeting about your favorite bands!

facebook.com/theredeye
While you're killing time at work, check out videos, performances and more from finalists on our Facebook page. Look for the Rock 'n' Vote logo below our cover photo.

Want to support your pick to win even further? Follow our Twitter list of the first batch of finalists here: **bit.ly/RNVtwitter**.

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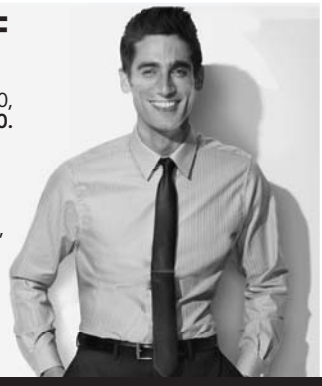

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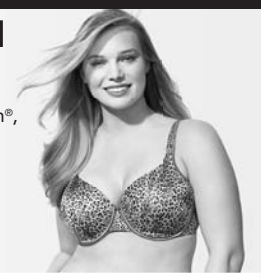

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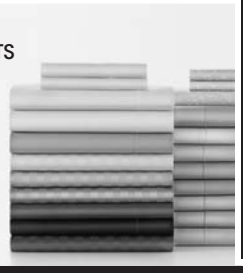

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FYI More than three months after he suffered a stroke, Sen. Mark Kirk was shown in a photo released Tuesday.

GRIDLOCK AHEAD

Chicago Tribune

O'Hare is ready to shut down a runway and use it as a VIP ("Very Important Planes") parking lot.

The CTA started running planning exercises Friday to keep transit officials nimble regarding any last-minute adjustments to bus and train service, routes, and schedules that could come up.

In Chicago and the suburbs, gates at highway entrance ramps are being checked to make sure they are in working order to close and reopen access to the roads—a procedure originally designed for use in an all-out emergency such as a bioterrorism attack.

The carefully choreographed and controlled chaos in motion that unfurls each day on the highways, runways, railroads and arterial streets of the nation's transportation hub will click up a notch when world leaders and demonstrators descend on Chicago for the NATO summit May 20-21. Protesters representing a wide spectrum of viewpoints will be traveling downtown on the CTA and Metra, bumping shoulders with regular commuters clutching backpacks and coffee cups on packed trains and buses.

"The city will be open for business during the NATO summit, and we want everyone to enjoy Chicago," said Delores Robinson, spokeswoman for the Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications. "There will be some restrictions and rolling street closures just to get [NATO participants] to and from where they need to go. But the city is wholly equipped to manage an event of this magnitude, and people who want to move around the city will still be able to do so."

About 10,000 people, including about 2,000 journalists, are expected to come to Chicago for the summit, Robinson said. That estimate does not include anti-NATO protesters. Here's a look at a few interesting facts that could affect your commute.

DETAILS TRICKLE OUT ON NATO PLANS AFFECTING CHICAGO TRAINS, PLANES AND AUTOMOBILES:

» The flow of airline arrivals and departures at O'Hare will speed up and slow to a trickle like water from a faucet based on the comings and goings of about 50 heads of state and their entourages.

» The Secret Service will permit passenger rail lines that pass through McCormick Place to operate during the summit. The tracks run under the lakefront convention center.

» A possible parking ban on downtown streets would clear the streets of cars and the potential for car bombs or for protesters to set vehicles on fire, traffic management and law enforcement officials said.

» The FAA and the Chicago Department of Aviation are not expecting the NATO summit to affect travel on the airlines serving O'Hare. But that could change.

» The city doesn't know whether Midway Airport, which has shorter runways than O'Hare and cannot accommodate larger planes, would be used by the NATO delegations.

» The Kennedy Expressway and other highways will likely be closed to traffic temporarily to provide the dignitaries with extra security and a whirlwind motorcade trip from O'Hare to downtown.

» The Secret Service has not announced whether sections of Lake Shore Drive and Cermak Road near McCormick Place as well as some downtown streets will be closed during part or all of the summit.

» The CTA and Metra will run extra buses and trains to serve larger than usual numbers of riders during the NATO summit weekend, which also includes the Crosstown Classic baseball games between the Cubs and White Sox at Wrigley Field.

HUDSON FAMILY KILLINGS

Singer not in courtroom for crime scene photos

By Tracy Swartz | REDEYE

There was far less emotion on the second day of the trial of William Balfour, who is accused in the slayings of Jennifer Hudson's mother, brother and nephew. There were even a few laughs.

Much of the day's testimony came from Chicago police officers who described the scene after Jennifer Hudson's mother and brother were killed in their Englewood home.

A few of Balfour's acquaintances were more lighthearted in their testimony. There were some snickers in the courtroom as one friend said he had a cellphone under the name George W. Bush, and one acquaintance was asked to spell his nickname, "DaddyO."

Jennifer and her sister Julia Hudson weren't in the courtroom for what could have been the most upsetting part of the day—when crime scene photos of Darnell Donerson and Jason Hudson were reviewed. Instead, Jennifer's fiance, David Otunga, took notes in a black notepad during that portion of testimony.

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M-Rahm's building plan clears City Council

Chicago Tribune

The Chicago City Council approved Mayor Emanuel's controversial plan to lure private money for public-works projects, tossing aside concerns from some aldermen that there's not enough oversight.

Aldermen voted 41-7 to approve the Chicago Infrastructure Trust.

"What we set here today, will be emulated by many, many cities throughout this country and many, many cities throughout the world," said Ald. Richard Mell (33rd).

Emanuel has touted the plan as a signature initiative, saying it will help in the effort to rebuild a city badly in need of a makeover. Defenders said the plan would help the city complete needed projects it otherwise could not afford—without further swelling the city's traditional debt load or relying on dwindling state and federal resources—and create jobs at the same time.

"I won't tie the city's future to [Washington's] dysfunction," Emanuel said of failure to pass a federal transportation bill. "Working together, we have a tool here that takes some of the pressure off of our taxpayers. That's what we're doing."

Very few of the opponents said the trust was a bad idea. But they all wanted more safeguards in the ordinance.

An attempt by opponents to amend the ordinance was tabled on a motion by Ald. Patrick O'Connor (40th), the mayor's council floor leader. The vote was 39-9. A later vote on an oversight amendment by Ald. Scott Waguespack (32nd), was tabled 40-8.

Mayor Emanuel speaks to the City Council on Tuesday. NANCY STONE/TRIBUNE

Ald. Robert Fioretti (2nd), who has helped lead the opposition, said that even though property and sales taxes won't directly fund trust-backed projects, taxpayers still could get hit if projects fail. "Who will be on the hook if the returns fall short?" Fioretti asked.

Ald. Leslie Hairston (5th), meanwhile, said a similar proposal by President Obama that's before Congress includes the kinds of protections aldermen sought, but failed, to put in the city ordinance. "If it's good enough for the national level, why isn't it good enough [in Chicago]?" she asked.

She also raised the question of ceding authority to the trust's board, which would be appointed by Emanuel and not directly accountable to voters. "They did not authorize me to give my power to an unelected board with the broad power to impose fees on them," Hairston said.

A Chicago storage-wars story

A South Side man couldn't believe his eyes when he found that items from a public storage locker he purchased at an auction last week contained what appears to be two Chicago Bulls championship rings from 1996 and 1998 and several items he believes were once owned by former Cook County Board President John H. Stroger Jr.

Peterson lawyers drop hearsay fight

Former Bolingbrook police Officer Drew Peterson is ending a protracted battle over hearsay statements and is signaling he's ready to go to trial in the slaying of his ex-wife Kathleen Savio. Peterson's attorneys say they will not fight a recent higher court ruling allowing prosecutors to use previously excluded hearsay statements in the trial.

Proposal targets parkers

In a bid to curb the black market for parking tags near Wrigley Field, Ald. Thomas Tunney (44th) introduced a plan Tuesday to hike fines for re-selling residential permits. City officials long have complained about Wrigleyville residents turning a profit by selling the windshield stickers that allow cars to park on the congested streets.

1 hospitalized after fire in Bronzeville

One person was taken in good condition from the site of a fire in a single-room occupancy hotel in the Bronzeville on Tuesday. Firefighters were called to the three-story brick building at 520 E. 47th St. just after 2 p.m. and called a working fire response, Fire Department spokeswoman Meg Ahlheim said. TRIBUNE

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Mitt Romney in New Hampshire on Tuesday. REUTERS

Romney sweeps, wins nod

Mitt Romney won all five Republican presidential primaries Tuesday, effectively ending the GOP nomination battle.

The Associated Press called New York for the former Massachusetts governor not long after polls closed at 9 p.m. EDT. Earlier, Romney was declared the winner in Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

With former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum out of the race, Romney faced only Newt Gingrich and Ron Paul, both of whom were well behind Romney in polls.

A total of 231 delegates were up for grabs Tuesday, though not all of them will be awarded based on the vote because state party officials also serve as delegates who cast their votes at the party's national convention.

Analysts said Romney still stood a strong chance of collecting 200 delegates or more as he closes in on the 1,144 delegates needed to claim the nomination. The latest Associated Press tally showed Romney came into Tuesday with 698 delegates, well ahead of Santorum's 260. Gingrich had 137 and Paul had 75.

Mining frontier: Space

Could this century's equivalent of the 19th-century gold rush come in space?

At least two startup companies are putting money and impressive names in science, business and even entertainment behind the theory that platinum and other precious metals can be mined out of this world and brought back to Earth to become parts of our cellphones and other important electronic devices.

Planetary Resources, which boasts filmmaker James Cameron and Google executives Larry Page and Eric Schmidt among its backers, announced Tuesday what it calls "a new space venture with a mission to help ensure humanity's prosperity."

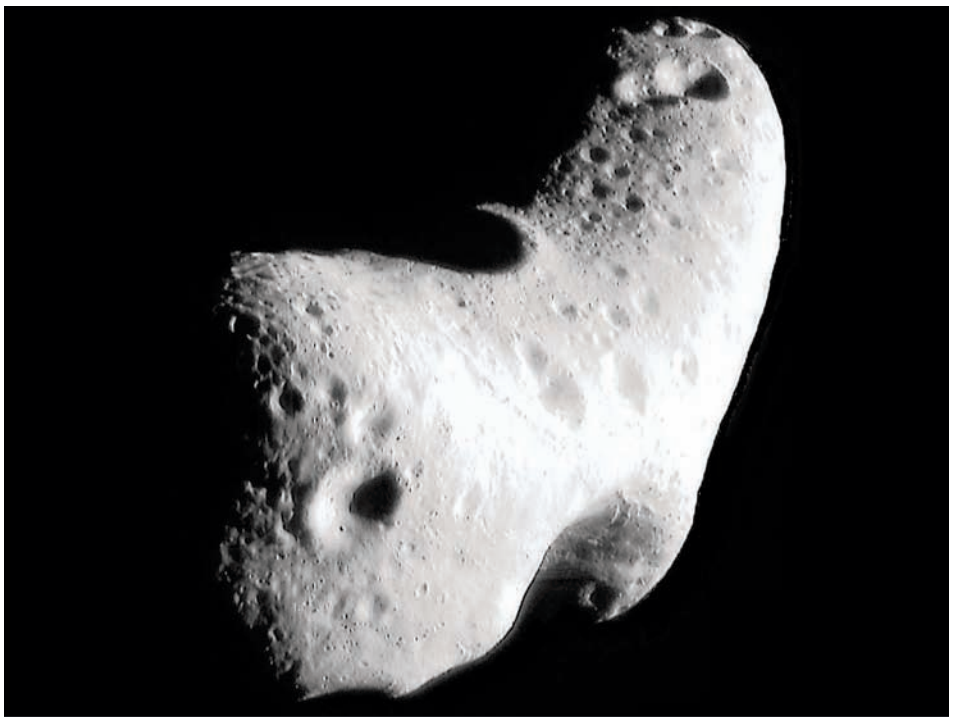
"The company will overlay two critical sectors—space exploration and natural resources—to add trillions of dollars to the global GDP. This innovative startup will create a new industry and a new definition of 'natural resources,' " the statement read.

First up for the Bellevue, Wash., company will be putting a surveying telescope into Earth orbit within two years. That instrument will look for near-Earth asteroids that contain precious metals and water, company co-founder Eric Anderson told Bloomberg. Within four years, prospecting could begin on those objects, Anderson said.

"There are precious metals in near-infinite quantities in space. When the availability of these metals increase, the cost will reduce on everything including defibrillators, hand-held devices, TV and computer monitors, catalysts; and with the abundance of these metals we'll be able to use them in mass production," Planetary Resources co-founder Peter Diamandis said in a statement, according to the Los Angeles Times.

Anderson told Bloomberg that mining in space makes more environmental sense than mining on Earth.

"Ripping up the Earth's crust not only is terribly intrusive from an environmental point of view, but it's actually really expensive and really hard. Why not go to the source?" he said.



This NASA image shows a close-up view of Eros, an asteroid with an orbit that takes it somewhat closer to Earth and the target of James Cameron and Larry Page's mining mission. GETTY IMAGES FILE

MONEY TALKS

Planetary Resources co-founder Peter Diamandis told Reuters a single 100-foot-long asteroid could contain $25 billion to $50 billion worth of platinum.

Google joins cloud battle

Google expanded the digital world of cloud computing Tuesday, announcing the rollout of Google Drive. The service, which will give users 5GB of free remote storage and additional space for a monthly fee, puts the Web giant in competition with Apple and Microsoft.

1 Charges filed in BP disaster

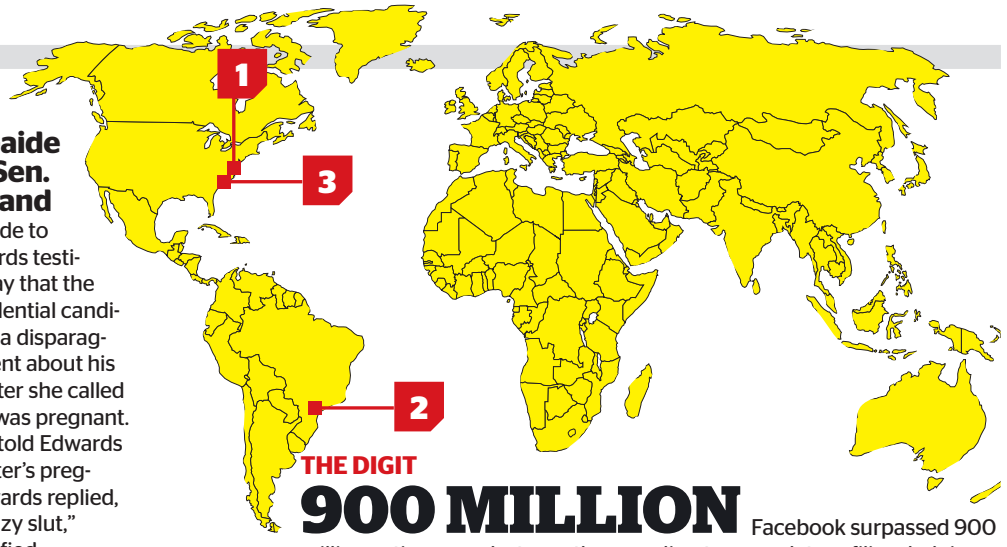
The first criminal charges have been filed in connection with the BP Gulf of Mexico oil disaster two years ago, the Justice Department said Tuesday. Former BP engineer Kurt Mix was arrested in Texas on two counts of intentionally destroying evidence requested by authorities.

2 Actor's hanging ruled accidental

A Brazilian actor died after accidentally hanging himself during the play "The Passion of the Christ," a local hospital said. Tiago Klimeck, 27, was one of the actors from a local theater company taking part in an independent production of the play April 6 in the city of Itarare.

3 Ex-aide to Sen. takes stand

A former aide to John Edwards testified Tuesday that the then-presidential candidate made a disparaging comment about his mistress after she called to say she was pregnant. He said he told Edwards about Hunter's pregnancy. Edwards replied, "She's a crazy slut," Young testified.



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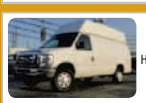

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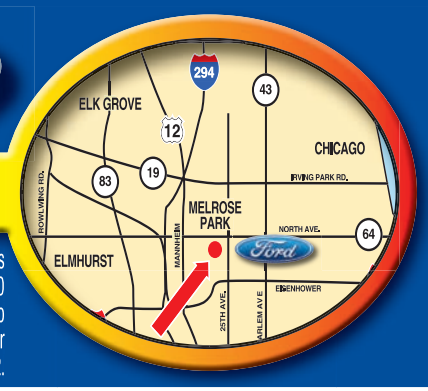

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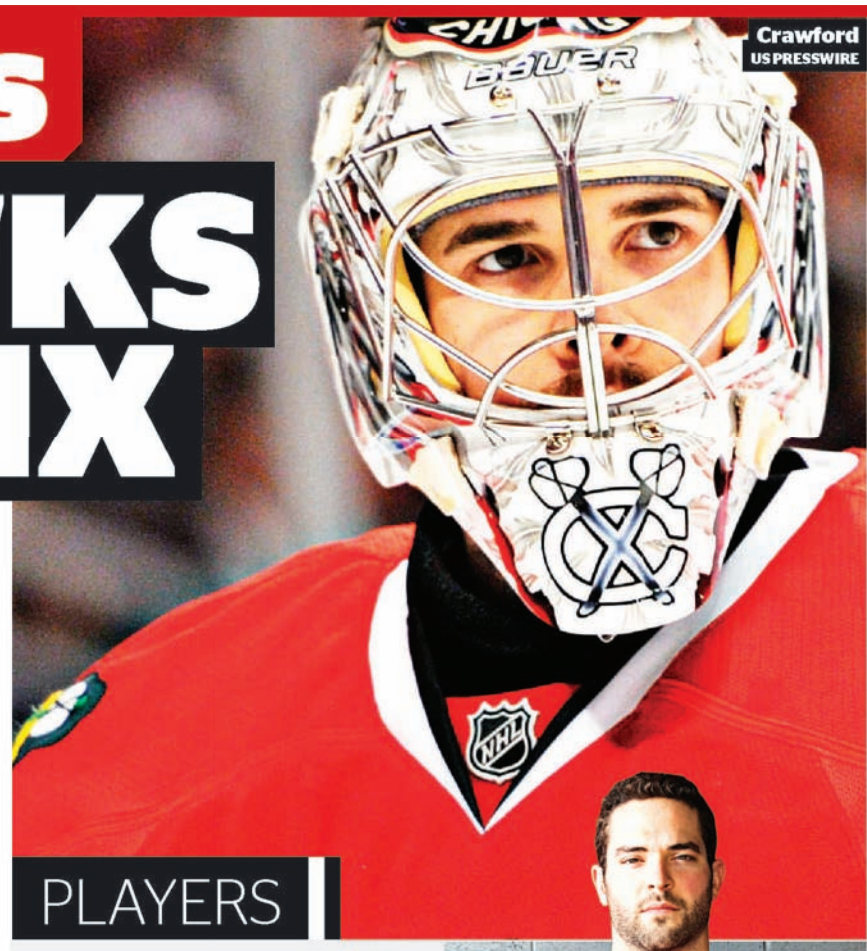
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Who is staying and who is going after 2 straight letdowns?

Chicago Tribune

If the sudden end of the Blackhawks' season hadn't hit home yet for the team and its fans, it surely did Tuesday afternoon when the ice was removed from the floor of the United Center.

The reality is the offseason has begun after the Hawks' rather unceremonious departure at the hands of Phoenix in six games of their first-round postseason series.

With the sting of the early exit still smarting the Hawks, thoughts already begin turning toward next season and the changes that will occur to an organization that has failed to make it out of the first round two consecutive seasons. Will it be a major overhaul or more of a tweaking to a team that is seeing its 2010 Stanley Cup championship drift further away?

"I like this group a lot," captain Jonathan Toews said. "You always tell yourself [that] every guy in this room has to believe—from the guy who plays 30 minutes a night to the guys who are scratches or waiting for their chances to play—that you ... have that group you need to win. We believed in each other, we believed in this group. It was a special team."

With that in mind, here's an early look at who could be staying and who could be going:

PLAYERS

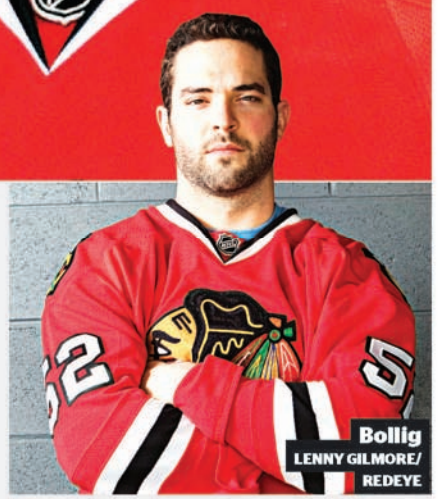
STAYING

» **Forwards**: Patrick Kane, Jonathan Toews, Marian Hossa, Patrick Sharp, Dave Bolland, Michael Frolik, Marcus Kruger, Viktor Stalberg, Jimmy Hayes, Daniel Carcillo, Andrew Shaw, Brandon Saad
» **Defensemen**: Brent Seabrook, Duncan Keith, Niklas Hjalmarsson, Nick Leddy, Dylan Olsen
» **Goaltenders:** Corey Crawford, Ray Emery

GOING

» Andrew Brunette » Brendan Morrison
» Jamal Mayers » Sean O'Donnell
» Sami Lepisto

All five veterans are unrestricted free agents and GM Stan Bowman figures to look elsewhere to fill in the supporting cast next season.


Bollig
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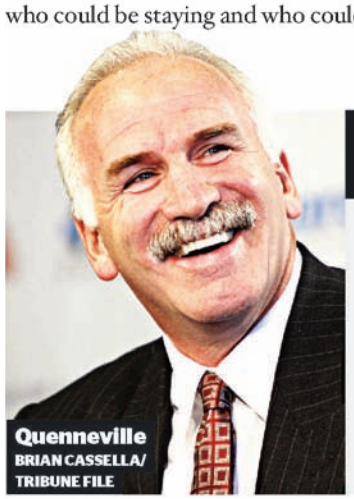
BUBBLE

» Brandon Bollig » Bryan Bickell
» Steve Montador » Johnny Oduya

Bickell has an affordable contract with a cap hit of $542,000 and has some value because of his size and experience, but the Hawks need help up front and Bickell could be bait. Bollig is an unrestricted free agent and did well in his stint as the team's enforcer after John Scott was traded to the N.Y. Rangers, but a more experienced and proven player could bump him.


Quenneville
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MANAGEMENT

STAYING

» General manager Stan Bowman
» Coach Joel Quenneville

BUBBLE

» Assistant coach Mike Haviland
» Assistant coach Mike Kitchen
» Goaltender coach Stephane Waite

Haviland is on the bubble because he is expected to be a top candidate for any coaching openings around the league. But someone could take the fall for the recent failure and with the Hawks' woeful power play a problem all season, the proprietor of the unit—Kitchen—is a possibility. The uneven goaltending during 2011-12 exposes Waite to change, though the hard-working coach deserves the opportunity to further develop Crawford.

THE STARTING LINE » Bulls at Indiana, 6 p.m. CSN » Cubs vs. St. Louis, 1:20 p.m. WGN » White Sox at Oakland, 2:35 p.m., CSN

Perfect game, perfect timing

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Thank the stars for Philip Humber.

If the baseball season in Chicago truly is going to be as coma-inducing as some say it might be, we'll need to live off the White Sox pitcher's perfect game for a while.

I won't even mention how desperately we need a distraction from the Blackhawks' implosion. (Ugh, my bad!)

Not that it's difficult to bask in Humber's masterpiece. The perfect game is unmatched in individual, single-game achievement. Including Humber, only 21 players have set down all 27 hitters they've faced in one game.

The tension becomes more excruciating with each inning, and as the final out nears, the crowd can taste history. That goes for opposing fans, too. Humber worked his magic on Seattle's home field, and Mariners fans—as is customary in baseball—were on their feet in the ninth inning. There's no chance they'll forget what Humber did Saturday.

Also consider that because of the way other sports are structured, they can't duplicate that kind of table-turning drama. What would it take for Bears fans to cheer Aaron Rodgers? Or for Boston Celtics die-hards to root for Kobe Bryant?

Such scenarios are barely conceivable. Even if they could be manufactured, they would fail to match the coup de gras: automatic Hall of Fame recognition. Yep, just like that, Humber goes from a hiccup on history's radar to quasi-immortal.

Save for a Bulls breakthrough, it could be a long sports summer in Chicago. And while you can oversell a lot of things—the Sox flirting with first in the AL Central, Jake Peavy pitching like a Cy Young front-runner or the Cubs being only a handful of games out of first—you cannot overhype a perfect game.

So if you haven't seen Humber's performance, find a way. Track down a friend who's got it on DVR. Beg the MLB Network to show a replay. Have co-workers re-enact the game with Legos (fast-forwarding through the commercials, of course).

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1 How would you rate the Blackhawks-Coyotes series on your personal scale?	R. Contained strong language, violence, brief nudity (a girl's boob popped out of her top at the bar during Game 2).	Seven, as in the number of adrenaline shots I needed to restart my heart because of it.	Tragic: like washing my white socks in cold water with my red Toews jersey.	Great for a while but in the end it was a mind-numbing minus-10.	An A+. I love human-on-human crime.
2 Why was the Blackhawks power play so ineffective?	Sometimes you just can't get it up. (Goal-to-shot ratio, you perverts.)	Toews refuses to stop singing "Call Me Maybe" while practicing.	That's what you get when you ignore those disconnect notices from ComEd.	That's a question you'll have to ask Stan Bowman, if you can catch him in between tee times.	They forgot to reboot.
3 Carlos Boozer says the Bulls are "on a mission." Translate, please.	"We're going to the 'ship! Also: I may even get in the post! Just kidding."	That mission? Find a woman for Coach Thibodeau so he lightens up juuuust a little bit.	No clue, but I feel a "Blues Brothers" playoff parody commercial coming soon.	He was going to end with "... to prove my contract is slightly better for my team than Soriano's is for the Cubs."	I'm programmed for destruction, not etiquette.
4 How are you preparing for the NBA playoffs?	Whoring myself out for tickets. LADIES: I'm here. Take your boy on a date!	Skittles and cigars for dinner. One part Derrick Rose, one part MJ, two parts awesome.	As the Hawks had the playoff beard, I'm hoping the playoff soul patch will catch fire.	Wow. The NBA has playoffs now? What will they think of next?!?	I'm hacking into the United Center scoreboard as we speak. First round should be a breeze.
5 How would you react if a Cubs pitcher threw a perfect game this season?	Ruthless indifference. We give the Cubs their props, but that's where it stops.	Same way I'd react if I woke up as a squirrel tomorrow ... which is probably more likely.	I'd applaud the feat, knowing the White Sox did it first because we're always Humber one!	I'd settle for a shutout.	[beep] [fleep] *smoke rises* [bzzzzzz] *silence*

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Here's a curveball.

Could jasmine increase the batting performance for baseball players?

If you ask Dr. Alan Hirsch from the Smell & Taste Treatment and Research Foundation in Chicago, which studies how smells affect behaviors, the answer is yes. He'll present his findings Thursday to the Association of Chemoreception Sciences at its annual meeting in Huntington Beach, Calif.

In a study conducted last summer, six White Sox players alternated between wearing jasmine-scented and unscented wristbands. They sniffed them once before swinging at 10 pitches in the batting cage at U.S. Cellular Field. Each player faced the same pitcher, who tried to throw the ball consistently to the batter.

The pitcher and batting coaches rated how each player swung at the ball, connected for a hit, how far the ball went, how fast the swing was and whether the performance changed for better or worse. The pitcher and batting coaches didn't know when the players were wearing the scented and unscented wristbands. Each batter rated how he felt about the swing and batting ability.

"Across the board, they were better with jasmine. They hit better. Their follow-through was better," Hirsch said.

The aroma of jasmine is known to put people in a more awakened, alert state, he said. The idea is the more energized people are, the better they do in an athletic performance. He wanted to test the smell of jasmine on other athletes who have quick reflexes and good hand-eye coordination.

So, why did the baseball players do better with the scented wristbands?

The scent of jasmine could have put the players in a positive mood, made them less nervous, or given them an extra boost of energy, leading them to perform better, Hirsch said. Or it could have increased hand-eye coordination and alertness. Another possibility, he said, is it could have enhanced their motivation, meaning they wanted to do better in the presence of the smell.

Even though the batters were able to smell the scent, they were unaware of the intent of the experiment and the nature of the odor.

He admits he wasn't so sure any scent would have an effect on the highly paid major league baseball players whose job it is to play well.

But the study worked.

"Even when you're at the top of your game, you can be that much better," he said.

Maybe the Cubs need to take a whiff of jasmine in the clubhouse.

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Canseco circa 1999
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ATH-TWEETS

Here's where we usually feature crazy tweets from equally crazy athletes, but this time we're recounting the on-again, off-again status of Jose Canseco's Twitter account. It disappeared Tuesday morning, then reappeared in the afternoon with the tweet "Some aliens deleted my acc." May the crazy tweets continue ...

Luck
MCT FILE

Luck be with them

Andrew Luck is officially the No. 1 NFL Draft pick. Indianapolis general manager Ryan Grigson confirmed Tuesday the Stanford quarterback will be selected No. 1 in Thursday's draft. Can he make Indy forget Peyton Manning?

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That's what **ashleymadison.com**, a website that hooks up married folks with affairs, is offering to a lady who can prove she took Tim Tebow's virginity. Seriously.

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SMASHING!

10 CHICAGO BANDS COMPETE IN 9TH ANNUAL ROCK 'N' VOTE

By Matt Pais | REDEYE SOUND BOARD

After nine years, you'd think Chicago would run out of quality home-grown bands to face off in our Rock 'n' Vote competition. You'd be wrong. We received a record 170 submissions this year and chose these 10 bands to fight for your approval. Here's background information on each of the finalists, but to get a real taste of what they're about, go to **redeyechicago.com** and listen to tracks from these artists. Vote through midnight Sunday for which bands you want to see live; the top four vote-getters play our free show May 16 at Hard Rock Cafe, headlined by former Rock 'n' Vote finalist Rockie Fresh. On-site voting at the event will determine the ultimate Rock 'n' Vote 2012 winner—who earns a spot performing July 15 at Taste of Chicago. Listen up; this crop is as good as any we've had. MPAIS@TRIBUNE.COM | @MATTPAIS

The 92s

Home base: Palos Park/Orland Park/Elgin
Need to know: Originating as a solo project for singer-guitarist Dan Durley, The 92s now put full-band spins on the songs Durley—who, yes, was born in 1992—recorded on the excellent EP "Don't Bury Me." "They're folk songs at the heart," says Durley, 19, who aimed to combine grittier aspects of punk, shoegaze and noise rock with folk-pop. "There's a juxtaposition between the pretty and the noisy."
Influences: Manchester Orchestra, Wilco, Say Anything, Mike Golden and Friends
Live show: A "weirder," more distorted version of the band's recorded material. "It's much more full of character than you can capture on an album," Durley says.
Claim to fame: Maintaining a commitment to charitable organizations, including playing benefit shows for Amnesty International, to raise autism awareness and donating 25 percent of Bandcamp and iTunes sales to the Red Cross.

The Kickback

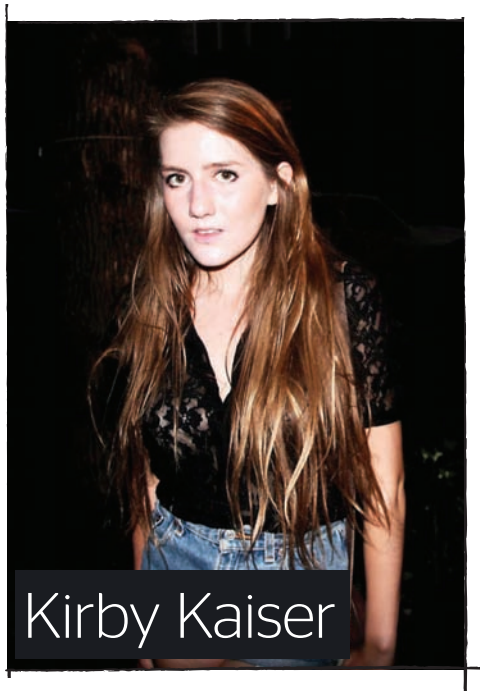
Home base: Lakeview/Logan Square
Need to know: The band, started by brothers Billy and Danny Yost in South Dakota, came to Chicago in 2009. Its catchy, sophisticated take on melodic rock receives an extra dose of swagger on the track "Scorched Earth (Do-Da)," which will be released on the group's full-length debut "Sorry All Over the Place" later this year.
Influences: Spoon, The Strokes, David Foster Wallace, "an overwhelming fear of death"
Live show: "We've recently acquired a certain level of finesse that we didn't have before," says bassist Eamonn Donnelly, 25. That kind of thing will happen with experience like ...
Claim to fame: Played a March residency at Schubas.

Hawley

Home base: Logan Square
Need to know: Before forming her band in Kansas (and then moving to Chicago about two years ago), singer/guitarist Hawley Shoffner performed ukulele-centered bedroom pop. Now she has embraced a fuller, more electric approach. "I've heard that I look like a very unlikely person to play electric guitar, so usually people are surprised that it's as loud as it actually is," says Shoffner, 24. Thanks to her highly expressive voice, "Dirt" achieves something sweet underneath all the raucousness, while "Suzannah" and "Sirs and Madams" take control of your foot and your heart, respectively.
Influences: John Cale, PJ Harvey, Fugazi
Live show: All electric guitar, which delivers something livelier than the band's self-titled record.
Claim to fame: Performing at venues such as Lincoln Hall and Subterranean, " 'cause I've never been able to play legit venues or anything like that," Shoffner says.

Sister Crystals

Home base: Lincoln Park/Bucktown/Humboldt Park
Need to know: Before the group even had enough band members or songs to play a full set, the guys from rising locals Yawn asked Sister Crystals—previously called Magic City, until the TV show took all their Google results—to open Yawn's record release show last year at Schubas. "I guess we've been tagged as dream-pop and indie rock," singer/guitarist Lauren Whitacre, 21, says of the group's "Little Bits" EP. That's a fitting description of Sister Crystals' mix of fragile vocals and hazy guitars.
Influences: Best Coast, Grizzly Bear, Beach Boys
Live show: A "detail-oriented" mix of ballads and songs that are "really rocky," Whitacre says.
Claim to fame: Praise from blogs including I Guess I'm Floating.



Kirby Kaiser

Home base: Boystown
Need to know: Kaiser, 19, began writing music in high school: "I was just upset about a guy and listening to Fiona Apple." She soon got into older music and in September released her self-titled debut EP, which perfectly marries affectionate, retro soul sounds with a voice that doesn't sound like she's just starting out. It's "a '60s girl group vibe, but with a little bit of a modern twist," Kaiser says. A new EP will drop this summer.
Influences: Fiona Apple, The Ronettes, Shangri-Las, Lesley Gore, Dusty Springfield
Live show: Kaiser just rounded up a live band, expecting to front an eight-piece, "old-school" operation with dancing backup singers.
Claim to fame: Kaiser marvels at the blog love (including Do 312) that has come her way since releasing her EP.

Hospital Garden

Home base: Pilsen/Lakeview/Logan Square
Need to know: Formed in Dayton, Ohio, in 2007, Hospital Garden came to Chicago in 2009 and made its biggest mark with last year's blistering full-length "Haunter." The sound? "Indie noise pop," a term coined by a Dayton newspaper that singer/guitarist Lucas Hollow, 29, agrees with. "It's pop-rock, but it tends to get a little louder and noisier than a lot of other bands."
Influences: Guided by Voices, Wavves, The Ramones
Live show: Hollow's description is as effectively straightforward as the band's music: "Loud and energetic. We love playing."
Claim to fame: Opened for Robert Pollard of Guided by Voices at Dayton Music Festival; positive press for "Haunter" from Loud Loop Press, Razorcake.

Marina City

Home base: South Loop/Plainfield
Need to know: The rock sextet came together when all of the members' previous bands broke up. The band formed in September and released the "In the Wake of Dreaming" EP earlier this year, featuring "aggressive pop-punk with a dance twist to it," 19-year-old singer Ryan Alan says. Most importantly: It's extremely catchy, with choruses guaranteed to stick in your head.
Influences: Go Radio, Mayday Parade, Red Jumpsuit Apparatus
Live show: "No one will leave the show without their heart beating fast," Alan promises of the band's energy. Vote for them if you want him to prove it.
Claim to fame: Playing a sold-out show at House of Blues with the Action Blast.

Santiago x The Natural

Home base: Streeterville
Need to know: South Side native rapper the Natural (real name: Jeffery Z. Stephens, 27) has collaborated with producer/vocalist (Lawrence) Santiago since 2004 but officially teamed up toward the end of 2011. They offer a mix of '90s hip-hop love with rock, electro, dancehall and an island feel.
Influences: Sublime, 2Pac, Jack White
Live show: "We put it all out there when we're up on stage," says Santiago, 29.
Claim to fame: The group's song "Warriors" was chosen as the official theme song for professional lacrosse team the Minnesota Swarm, who soon will fly out Santiago and the Natural to perform at halftime.

The Retar Crew

Home base: Lincoln Square
Need to know: That name might seem offensive, but it's not. The group came together in 2007 when working a summer roofing job in Kentucky. Their specialty: re-tarring roofs. The group delivers drum-heavy, melodic hip-hop with honest lyricism and a sense of humor.
Influences: The Clash, J Dilla, De La Soul, A Tribe Called Quest, Frank Zappa
Live show: When's the last time you saw four MCs rapping and singing while doing Temptations-style dance moves, with a horn section? "We're kind of like an adult boy band," says Jax, 30. "A really dirty, self-deprecating boy band."
Claim to fame: "Blackhawks Song (We Love the Hawks?)," a riff on the bandwagon that flocked to the team in 2010 that has nearly half a million views on YouTube.

Secret Colours

Home base: Ukrainian Village/South Loop/St. Charles
Need to know: The sextet will soon release an extended version of their previous "EP3" on vinyl and has a full-length record, "Peach," finished and ready to go. It's neo-psychedelic with a touch of Brit-pop, says lead guitarist Dave Stach, 24. "A lot of the reviews we got, everyone just says Pink Floyd. Which we don't necessarily agree with, but that's not a bad thing."
Influences: The Pretty Things, Jefferson Airplane, Rolling Stones
Live show: "Pretty groovy," Stach says of the show, which includes plenty of late-'60s-inspired jamming, dancing and psychedelic colors projected onto the stage.
Claim to fame: Being invited to represent Chicago at the upcoming Austin Psych Fest.

Read more about the bands at **redeyechicago.com**

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ON SALE

* = Matt Pais recommended show

ON SALE 10 A.M. SATURDAY
SCISSOR SISTERS, Sunday, June 24 ($38.50, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

ON SALE 5 P.M. THURSDAY
SUBLIME WITH ROME, CYPRESS HILL, PEPPER, Thursday, July 12 ($35-$45, all ages) at Northerly Island's Charter One Pavilion.

ON SALE 10 A.M. FRIDAY
LINKIN PARK, INCUBUS, Friday, Aug. 24 ($37-$102.50, all ages) at First Midwest Bank Amphitheatre.

ON SALE NOON FRIDAY
* **BLITZEN TRAPPER,** Monday, July 9 ($20, 21+) at Lincoln Hall.

CORY BRANAN, AUDRA MAE, Tuesday, June 26 ($10, 21+) at Schubas.

* **THE MYNABIRDS, SEAN BONES,** Sunday, June 17 ($10-$12, 21+) at Schubas.

DAN SARTAIN, Wednesday, June 20 ($10-$12, 21+) at Schubas.

ON SALE 10 A.M. SATURDAY
KELLY CLARKSON, THE FRAY, CAROLINA LIAR, Saturday, Sept. 1 ($17.50-$125, all ages) at First Midwest Bank Amphitheatre.

* **RUSH,** Saturday, Sept. 15 ($50.50-$151, all ages) at United Center.

ON SALE NOON SATURDAY
POI DOG PONDERING, Saturday, May 26, Sunday, May 27 ($25-75, 21+) at Double Door.

The Hives singer Pelle Almqvist
GETTY IMAGES

ON SALE 10 A.M. SATURDAY
* **THE HIVES,** Saturday, June 30 ($28.50, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

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Still tormented, still amazing us

By Jessica Galliart
REDEYE SOUND BOARD

Seven years without a peep, and this is what we get, Fiona? Well played, you wonderfully spooky, tortured woman, you.

With two months until the June 19 release of her album "The Idler Wheel is Wiser Than the Driver of the Screw and Whipping Cords Will Serve You More Than Ropes Will Ever Do," Fiona Apple released the simple, three-word-titled "Every Single Night," the first single from the anticipated album.

Still the same painfully uncomfortable Fiona? Yes. Indicative of what's to come? Probably. Worth the wait? Absolutely.

A music box opener and pitter-patter of angsty but catchy lyrics quickly lead into a darker chant of the nightly torture Apple endures with herself: "Every single night's a fight with my brain." The inspiringly vulnerable lyrics, Apple's rich and contrasting vocals and the whimsical melodies constantly battle each other through the track, echoing Apple's strikingly honest struggle with self-imprisonment and longing for more: "I just want to feel everything."

Though seven years have passed, Apple hasn't changed. She's still as tormented and dissatisfied with her world as we suspected she was on 2005's "Extraordinary Machine," when she sung mostly of jilted loves and rebounds. If this single is any indication, Apple is about to really open the door to release whatever skeletons she has left, exposing every bit of herself that has yet to be exposed.

And this is why we wait in anticipation for more Fiona. Fight-picking brain and all. JGALLIART@TRIBUNE.COM | @JGALLIART

» See Fiona Apple live: Tuesday, July 10 ($45-$65, all ages) at Chicago Theatre.

Fiona Apple performs in March at Lincoln Hall.
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Adam Levine
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HOT SONG

Payphone
Maroon 5

Maroon 5's "Payphone" is the latest entry in the pop sweepstakes to determine the dumbest lyrics people will sing along with in a catchy chorus. "I'm at a payphone trying to call home, all of my change I spent on you," Adam Levine earnestly offers, oblivious to decades of phone technologies, from cellphones to credit-card calling to, you know, calling collect. Yeah, it's a metaphor for a simpler time. It's not a good one, no matter how sweetly Levine delivers it. GLENN GAMBOA, NEWSDAY

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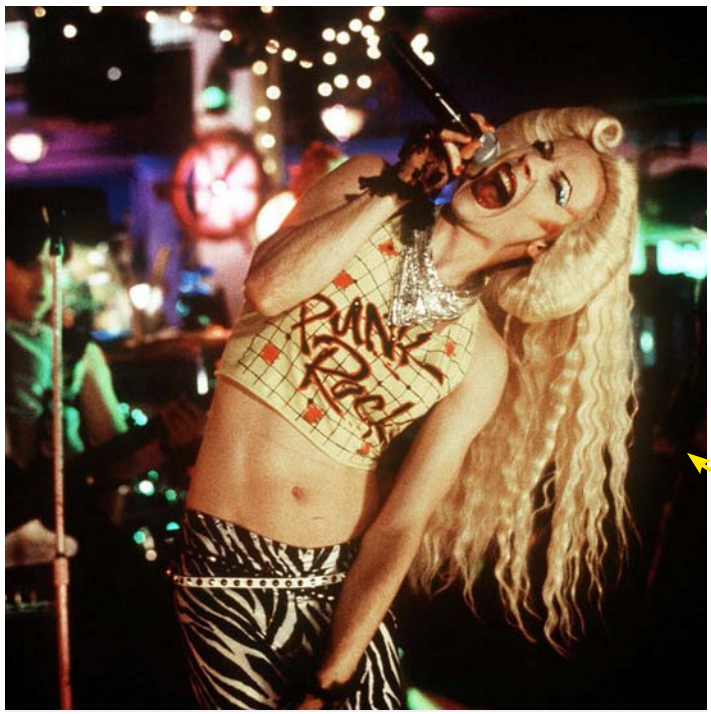

THE FULL SCHEDULE

April 27-28: "The Big Lebowski"

May 4-5: "American Psycho"
May 11-12: "Ferris Bueller's Day Off"
May 18-19: "Hedwig and the Angry Inch"
May 25-26: "The Shining"
June 1-2: "Jurassic Park"
June 8-9: "Donnie Darko"
June 15-16: "The Princess Bride"

Midnight movies at Landmark Century

By Matt Pais
REDEYE

The Music Box Theatre has long been in the business of showing midnight movies ("The Room" doesn't look quite as good in the middle of the day), but it's no longer the only place in Lakeview where you can watch a movie until 2 a.m. and re-experience something you love, ironically or not.

The Landmark Century Centre Cinema begins offering midnight movies Friday with "The Big Lebowski" (Friday and Saturday, $9-$11), a film sure to inspire fans to quote the movie as it happens and dress in attire not normally found in the theater—unless you believe bathrobes shouldn't be confined to the house. Now's your chance to note how the escalators really hold the Century Centre mall together.

In upcoming weeks you can check out "American Psycho" (May 4-5), which could result in a different, more disturbing choice of wardrobe (leave any possible props at home, please, aside from a business card) and "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" (May 11-12), which seems like it should be screened during the week.

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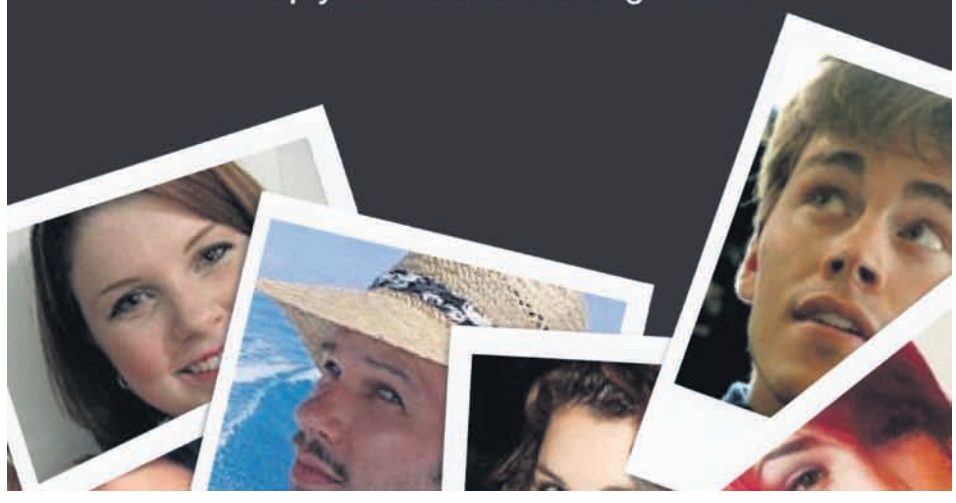

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By Kate Bernot | FOR REDEYE

When revered Old Town Japanese restaurant Kamehachi shuttered its doors at Wells and Schiller streets in November to move a few blocks north, it wasn't the end of that corner's reign. It's now home to sister restaurant Tokyo 21, a Japanese pub—izakaya, if you want to impress your date with a technical term—where sake and small plates are served in a setting just a notch above a neighborhood tavern. If you can't resist the nearly two dozen sake bombs ($5-$9) on the menu, you might be caught with a bit of sticker shock. But mix and match a few dishes from the varied menu and the food tab stays low.

Main attraction: Something for everyone. Fans of the recent yakitori trend can choose from chicken, pork and veggie skewers ($3-$5) while noodle fiends have their choice of Vietnamese pho ($7), Thai pad see ewe ($7) or spicy Japanese ramen ($7). On the barbecue side, the most successful plate is the Korean marinated pork bulgogi ($7), a hand-held bite wrapped in a crisp lettuce leaf.

Best value: Tacos seem like a throw-away option on a Japanese menu, but an Asian twist makes this flavorful sampler ($7) one of the most surprising—and economical—options on the menu. Three crispy shells cradle tender shredded chicken, soy-braised beef and grilled whitefish, ideal with a side of the thin-skinned gyoza dumplings ($5).

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Scenes from Syfy's 'Total Blackout'

'Total Blackout' is totally out of sight

Jaleel White

By Diane Werts
NEWSDAY

Total Blackout
9 and 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Syfy

Four contestants—or (in Wednesday night's second episode) four couples—must rely on their other four senses when the lights go out in Syfy's new extreme game show "Total Blackout." Awaiting them in various tanks in a pitch-black studio are all kinds of weird stuff: animal, vegetable and mineral.

Yes, it's "Fear Factor" in a power failure!

We meet the players, cocky and boasting beforehand; watch them squirm and squeal (in blackout-lensed blue and white), making wrongheaded guesses as to the objects' identities while the disembodied voice of host Jaleel White—yes, Urkel! —coaches and quips; then afterward hear their reactions. The sorta-kicker is, the least accurate guesser gets dropped down a trapdoor "black hole," while the others continue on to rounds 2 (another trapdoor) and 3 (two finalists).

Imagination gets the best of most contestants, so we get to see girls swear up a (bleeping) storm, tough guys whimper and gay guys act, well, cliche gay. But what would you do, blind and sticking your hand into a tank of roaches or eels? Or forced in the dark to locate and eat blue cheese off a hairy human belly? Would you recognize the scent of smelly armpit?

I'm no smarter than the contestants. I thought I was going to hate "Total Blackout." Then I couldn't help laughing out loud when one fearless dude smelling the blue cheese promptly wrinkled his nose and spat, "Poop?"

The couples are cool, too, in coaching each other through the fright and identifications. And to its credit, "Total Blackout" makes one of TV's most diverse casting efforts, bringing in all races, origins and sexual orientations (but did the gays have to be sooo gay?). Even the youthful demographic gets a shake-up when one guy pairs with his 60-ish French mom.

So yes, I'm ashamed of myself. But a girl's gotta slum sometime. Better to ogle the oddities of this behavior than "Maury."

Bottom line, "Total Blackout" is totally irresistible.

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Meet the cast of The Second City's 100th revue

By Julia Borcherts | FOR REDEYE

The Second City's new mainstage show "Who Do We Think We Are?" makes history as the 100th revue the country's most influential comedy theater has produced since it opened its doors as a small cabaret in 1959. The revue satirizes politics, so we asked the six cast members to identify the most ridiculous political moment they've observed this year. And since the show is also about the ups and downs of the American dream, we asked them:

A. How do you spend days off? | B. What was your worst job? | C. What is the most ridiculous political moment you remember?

Tim Baltz

A. Going to the movies or eating Thai food. If they ever open a Brew & View that's just movies and Thai food, I'm screwed.
B. Bellhop at a casino hotel. My co-workers were great, but nobody tips worse than unhappy gamblers.
C. A penguin at the St. Louis Zoo bit Newt Gingrich. I mean, that's the beginning of the next 'Batman' movie.

Edgar Blackmon

A. There is nothing I like to do more than come to Second City and see a Touring Company home show. I used to tour, and I know that the next big voices of Second City are there sharpening their craft on Monday nights.
B. I don't think any day job I had was terrible. I'd like to thank the good people of **careerbuilder.com** and **cars.com** for putting up with me when I worked there. Also, for their health insurance."
C. It was December, but Rick Perry's 'Strong' video was pretty amazing. He really thought that would work.

Mary Sohn

A. I love going to the Garfield Park Conservatory—it feels like I'm on vacation. I also love chipping golf balls by the lake. Basically, I'm your favorite grandma.
B. I worked one summer filing papers that nobody cared about, in a dark basement of an elementary school. The only thing I could get on the radio was Dr. Laura. Good God, that was terrible.
C. I thought the Republican debates were hilarious. They weren't addressing any real issues. It was like watching a 'Real Housewives' reunion special—they were so catty and personal.

Holly Laurent

A. All I want to do is stay in and cook. I want to garden. I want to take my dog for a very long jog. I want to put on music and open wine and pull up [bleepy] Netflix. I also really enjoy a burger at Owen and Engine or ordering a Piece pizza. I love date nights at Piccolo Sogno or drinking cold Oberon's outside at Lottie's.
B. I've had too many bad day jobs. From my first job ever (a paper route), to retail, to serving tables, to working at a church—I hated 'em all.
C. That anyone took certain Republican candidates seriously. What a waste.

Steve Waltien

A. "Home with a book."
B. "Canvassing door-to-door for the environment."
C. "The short-lived and bizarre candidacy of Texas Gov. Rick Perry."

Katie Rich

A. I like to get out of Old Town and go to restaurants in different neighborhoods. Or, I just lay low and order delivery from restaurants in different neighborhoods.
B. Assistant to an insurance salesman who was about 85 years old and refused to do anything on computers.
C. The entire GOP primary fiasco.

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Botanical bounty in new gin

The Botanist gin features 31 aromatics in its mix.
BILL HOGAN /TRIBUNE

Chicago Tribune

Long before there was Scotch whisky, Scots were distilling. That's despite the fact that before 1823, when the Excise Act was passed, producing booze wasn't even legal in Scotland. Before the legislation, there were up to 14,000 illicit stills being confiscated annually.

"It reached the point where there were people who were choosing to distill grain rather than eat it," says Mark Reynier, owner of Bruichladdich Distillery.

A few years ago, when Bruichladdich acquired an old, experimental still from a distillery that was being dismantled, Reynier started thinking about what exactly those Scots were drinking. Looking for a project that the still's achingly slow distillation process might be good for, he decided to try to re-create something along the lines of the spirits Scots drank before there was Scotch.

Now, truthfully, Reynier doesn't really know what those spirits tasted like. But he can make a reasonable guess.

Odds are, virtually none of what they were drinking was aged in wood or anything else. After all, why sit on a commodity when you can drink it fresh? The booze probably was a neutral spirit, similar to vodka. And some, if not many, probably then added flavorings to that spirit, which would have produced something similar to a gin or aquavit.

"They were probably flavored with anything that would make it taste better," he says.

Reynier worked with a botanist to figure out what aromatics might have been used on the Hebridean island of Islay off the coast of Scotland where Bruichladdich is located.

Scouring Islay's wind-swept hills, peat bogs and Atlantic shores, the botanist identified 25 wild aromatics—ranging from apple mint birch and bog myrtle leaves to creeping thistle flowers and juniper berries. Twenty-two of those made it into The Botanist, the gin that resulted from the effort, along with nine staple aromatics, such as cassia bark, coriander seed, and lemon and orange peels.

With 31 botanicals the gin could be too busy, but it isn't. It's floral and complex, with a distinctive spiciness. And because the aromatics are firmly in the spirit of a London dry gin, it goes well in a gin and tonic, gimlet or martini—or even on its own.

Gimlet

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- **Think Like a Man** (PG–13) ◆ 1:25,4:10,7:10,10:05
- **American Reunion** (R) 1:35,4:30,7:20,10:10
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 3:20,7:30
- **The Lucky One** (PG–13) 2:25,5:10,7:50,10:25
- **The Cabin in the Woods** (R) 3:15,5:40,8:10,10:35
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- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 5:00,7:15,9:30
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- **Lockout** (PG–13) 10:40,1:25,4:10,7:20,10:15
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 11:05,1:55,4:35,7:05,9:50
- **Think Like a Man** (PG–13) ◆ 10:30,1:05,1:40,4:05,4:40, 7:05,7:40,10:05,10:40
- **American Reunion** (R) 10:25,1:20,4:05
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 10:15,2:45,7:15
- **The Lucky One** (PG–13) ◆ 11:00,1:45,4:30,7:00,9:40
- AMC Independent **Woman Thou Art Loosed: On the 7th Day** (PG–13) 11:15,1:50,4:20,6:55,9:35
- **The Cabin in the Woods** (R) 10:55,11:50,1:35,2:30, 4:00,5:00,6:30,7:35,9:05,10:00
- **The Three Stooges** (PG) ◆ 11:45,2:15,4:45,7:25,9:55
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- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) 3:30 P.M.
- **Casa de Mi Padre** (R) 5:30,7:40,9:30
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 3:20,5:40,7:50,10:00
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- **Lockout** (PG–13) (Closed caption) 11:50,2:30
- **Lockout** (PG–13) 11:50,2:30
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 11:20,1:50,4:50,7:35,10:20
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) (Closed caption) 11:20,1:50,4:50,7:35,10:20
- AMC Independent **Bully** (PG–13) 11:00,1:40,4:20,7:00,9:40
- **Think Like a Man** (PG–13) ◆ 11:00,12:30,2:00,3:30, 5:00,6:30,8:00,9:30,11:00
- **American Reunion** (R) ◆ 10:00,12:50,3:40,6:20,9:20
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) ◆ 3:45,6:00,8:15,10:15
- **The Lucky One** (PG–13) 10:15,11:35,1:00,2:20,3:45,6:30,9:15,10:35
- **The Metropolitan Opera: Manon Encore** (NR) 6:30 P.M.
- AMC Independent **The Raid: Redemption** (R) 9:50 P.M.
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax 3D** (PG) (Closed caption) ◆ 10:40,1:05,3:35
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- AMC Independent **Woman Thou Art Loosed: On the 7th Day** (PG–13) 2:15 P.M.
- AMC Independent **My Way** (R) 10:50,2:05,5:20,8:40
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- **Chimpanzee** (G) ◆ 10:00,12:15,2:30,4:50,7:00,9:10
- **The Cabin in the Woods** (R) 10:30,1:00,3:30,6:00,8:30,11:00
- **The Three Stooges** (PG) ◆ 10:10,12:40,3:15,5:50,7:10,8:25,10:55
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 5:05,7:55,10:45

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- **Lockout** (PG–13) 12:00,2:30,5:20,8:15,10:35
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- **The Cabin in the Woods** (R) 2:50,5:20,7:50,10:10
- **Think Like a Man** (PG–13) 1:50,4:40,7:40,10:30
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- **Wrath of the Titans 3D** (PG–13) 2:35,5:15,7:55,10:45
- **The Hunger Games** (PG–13) 3:20,6:50,10:20
- **Lockout** (PG–13) 2:20,5:00,7:45,10:30
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 1:00,3:50,6:40,9:30
- **Think Like a Man** (PG–13) 2:05,3:05,5:05,6:05,8:00,9:05,10:50
- **American Reunion** (R) 1:05,4:05,7:10,10:10
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 2:45,7:00
- AMC Independent **Woman Thou Art Loosed: On the 7th Day** (PG–13) 1:45,4:30,7:30,10:15
- **The Cabin in the Woods** (R) 2:00,3:00,4:40,5:40, 7:15,8:15,9:45,10:45
- **The Three Stooges** (PG) 2:15,3:45,4:45,6:20,7:20,9:00,10:00
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) 1:20 P.M.
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 1:50,4:50,7:40,10:40

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- **Chimpanzee** (G) 12:20,2:30,4:45,6:50,9:15
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- **The Three Stooges** (PG) 12:30,3:00,5:25,8:00,10:30
- **Dr. Seuss' the Lorax** (PG) 12:25,2:45,5:05

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- **The Metropolitan Opera: Manon Encore** (NR) ★ 6:30 P.M.
- **Wrath of the Titans 3D** (PG–13) 5:10,7:45,10:15
- **The Cabin in the Woods** (R) ★ 1:15,3:40,6:10,8:30,11:00
- **The Three Stooges** (PG) ★ (Closed caption) 6:45,9:15
- **The Three Stooges** (PG) ★ 1:20,4:00
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 2:20,5:15,8:00,10:50
- **Wrath of the Titans** (PG–13) 2:30 P.M.
- **Lockout** (PG–13) ★ 1:50,4:30,10:25
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- **Chimpanzee** (G) ★ (Closed caption) 12:30,2:40,4:45,6:50,9:10
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) (Closed caption) 12:45,3:30,6:30,9:00
- **American Reunion** (R) 2:15,5:00,7:50,10:45
- **Think Like a Man** (PG–13) ★ 12:15,1:30,2:00,3:10,4:20, 4:50,6:00,7:40,8:50,10:10,10:40
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 2:10,6:15,10:20
- **Bully** (PG–13) ★ 1:45,4:15,7:00,9:30
- **The Lucky One** (PG–13) ★ (Closed caption) 1:40,4:40,7:30,10:00
- **The Lucky One** (PG–13) ★ 1:10,3:50

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- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 12:00,2:20,4:45,9:35
- **Bully** (PG–13) ★ 12:15,2:30,4:45,7:00,9:15
- **The Lucky One** (PG–13) ★ 12:30,2:45,5:00,7:15,9:30
- **Snow Cake** (NR) ★ 7:00
- **Chimpanzee** (G) ★ 12:00,2:00,4:00,6:00,8:00,10:00
- **The Cabin in the Woods** (R) ★ 1:05,3:15,5:25,7:35,9:45
- **The Three Stooges** (PG) ★ 12:20,2:30,4:40,6:50,9:00

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- **Chimpanzee** (G) 11:00,1:10,3:20,5:30,7:40,9:50
- **The Hunger Games** (PG–13) 11:15,12:50,2:30,4:10,5:50,7:30,10:45
- **Think Like a Man** (PG–13) 1:30,4:25,7:20,10:20
- **21 Jump Street** (R) 11:55,2:35,5:15,7:55,10:40
- **Mirror Mirror** (PG) 11:05,1:40
- **Titanic** (PG–13) 9:40
- **Titanic 3D** (PG–13) 11:20,3:25,7:35
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- **Lockout** (PG–13) 12:00,2:25,4:50,7:15,9:55
- **The Kid With a Bike** (PG–13) 11:35,4:35,9:45
- **Blue Like Jazz** (PG–13) 2:05,7:05
- **Damsels in Distress** (PG–13) 12:35,3:05,5:40,8:05,10:35
- **Bully** (PG–13) 12:15,2:45,5:10,7:45,10:15
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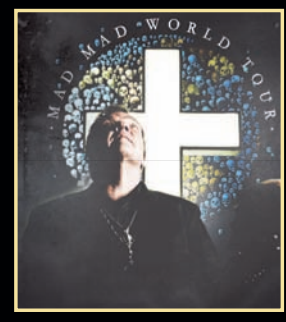

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Skullgirls *Xbox 360, PS3*

"Skullgirls" is the kind of game that's easy to admire but hard to like. The indie fighting game has a unique art style, a quirky jazz soundtrack and game play that pays homage to the old 2-D fighters of the '90s. But even at only $15, "Skullgirls" is hard to recommend because there are only eight characters to choose from (most modern fighters have more than two dozen) and the difficulty level is insanely high, especially for a goofy game populated by naughty nurses and big-breasted sexpots who use umbrellas as weapons.

THREE TO PLAY

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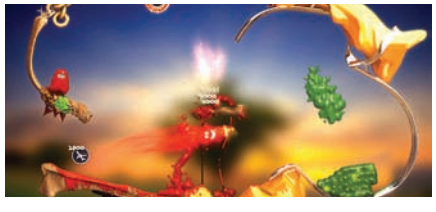

The Splatters
Xbox 360

Could "The Splatters" do for the popularity of colorful piles of goo what "Angry Birds" did with those ubiquitous disgruntled fowls? Doubtful, but you're still likely to get addicted to this little, downloadable, physics-based puzzle game that feels like "Angry Birds" crossed with "Peggle." The goal is to toss piles of some kind of oozing substance at bombs in an attempt to blow up all the bombs. "The Splatters" is simplistic fun whose only significant flaw is that you can't help but feel like it would work better as a $3 smartphone app than a $10 Xbox game.

Anomaly: Warzone Earth
iPhone/iPad, PC, Xbox 360

"Anomaly: Warzone Earth" takes the overly familiar tower defense genre and turns it on its head. Instead of playing a proverbial goalie against an invading army like usual, "Anomaly" makes the player the one who must navigate a variety of defensive turrets and towers to defeat an alien force to save the Earth. It's a welcome twist that strategy gamers will dig, even if the lack of missions and content means the love affair may not last too long.

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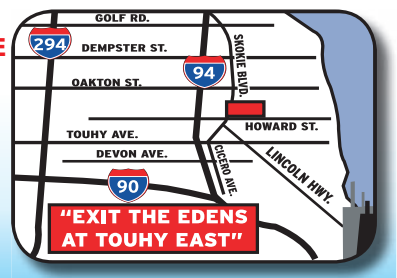

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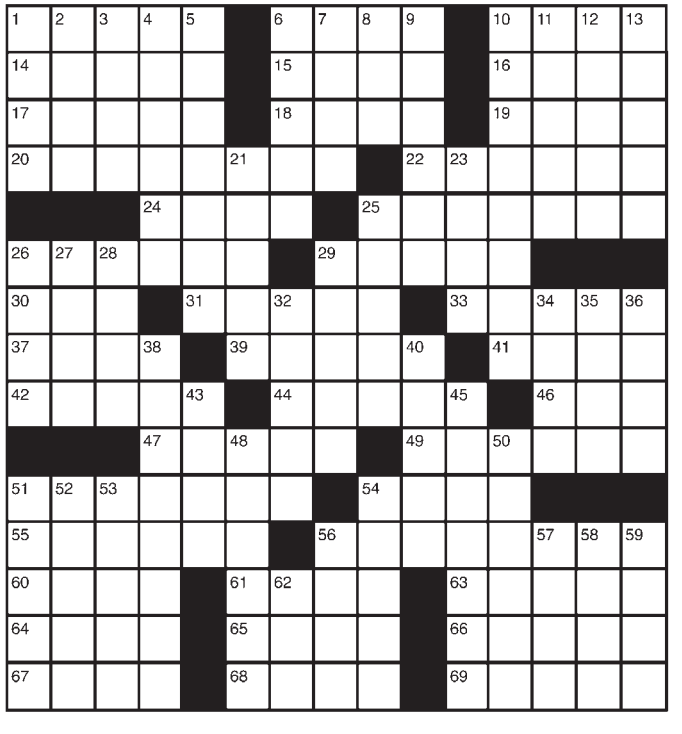

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1 Foot-long measuring stick
6 Incite; egg on
10 Patty _
14 Give one's two cents' worth
15 Strong desire
16 Swear
17 Strong fastening rods
18 Appear
19 Give up land
20 _ to; leaves in the custody of
22 Pumpkin color
24 Gun cartridges
25 Began
26 Hairpiece
29 San _ Padres
30 Pacino & Gore
31 Singer Bobby
33 _ up; absorbs
37 Small plateau
39 Happen again
41 Largest single digit
42 Veranda
44 Hem in & assail
46 Actor Jason _
47 _ with; made it through
49 Deleted, as on a videotape
51 Four-star naval officer
54 _ up; goof
55 _ shower; pre-wedding party
56 Blow it in a school bee
60 Cook in the oven
61 Washerful of laundry
63 Spooky
64 _ house; realtor's event
65 A single time
66 Canary homes
67 SAT, for one
68 Tall grass shoot
69 Freshwater fish

DOWN
1 Caftan
2 Chance _; find by luck
3 Uplifting tune
4 Catch
5 Took up again
6 Zest
7 Crude metals
8 Years lived
9 Reduce to a lower rank
10 Coconut cookie
11 Social occasion
12 Skiers' inn
13 Rough woolen coat fabric
21 Smudge
23 Tattered cloths
25 Site of nasal congestion
26 Pat down soil
27 Margarine
28 Khrushchev's nation
29 Chopped finely
32 Refuse to obey
34 Feels sick
35 Leg joint
36 Bit of canary food
38 Traffic collision
40 Becomes dizzy
43 Dance at a bar mitzvah
45 Cut into three pieces
48 Paleness
50 Come into view
51 Monastery head
52 Curtain
53 Farrell & Tyson
54 One-_; not reciprocal
56 Police spray
57 Consequently
58 In _ of; as a sub for
59 In case
62 Smallest bill

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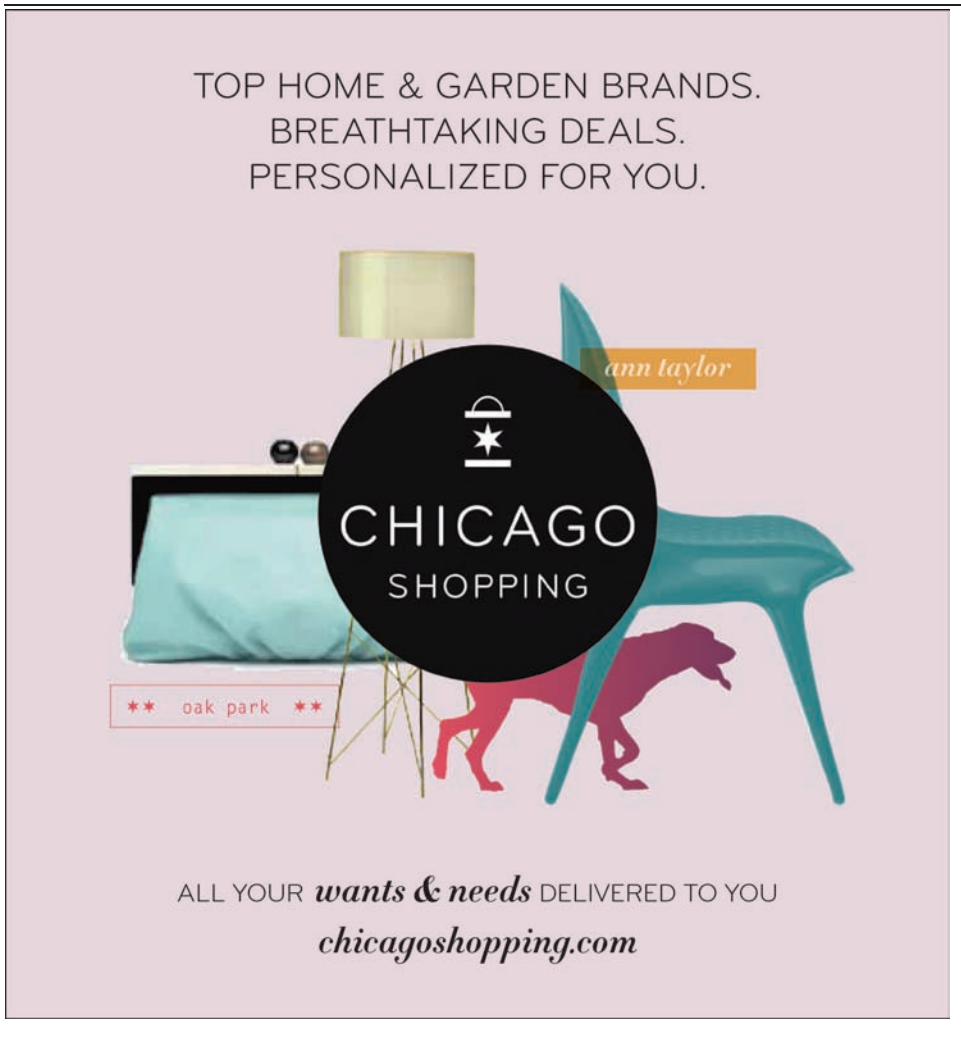

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SLIDE UP FOR NEXT QUESTION
FIVE ON FIVE
QUESTION #1
What's your definition of mental toughness in the NBA?
Charles Motherlovin' Oakley. Still. Google "Charles Oakley workout." Dude is a BEAAAAAST.
A team contending for the best record in the NBA with its best player on the bench.
Not getting "T'd" out no matter how "T'd" off you get at the referees.
Being able to get by without a shoe deal.
My database tells me there's no such thing for mere mortals.
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Justin Bieber is not above taking cheap shots—although, in his case, we suppose they're probably really, really expensive shots. The 18-year-old told the BBC that "that girl—Mariah Yeater—who said she was going to have my baby" was among the inspirations for songs on his upcoming album, "Believe." Other topics include his mom and ... "lots of different stories and experiences." Since we just can't wait until June 19 for these tracks to drop, we made up some songs and we'll let you fill in the blanks, Mad Libs-style. DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM | @REDEYEDANA

Who's That Girl? (Not My Babymama)

For Mariah Yeater

"Girl, who you _____ with?
PLAYGROUND ACTIVITY
It ain't you I'm _____ with. Now
DATE ACTIVITY
_____ before I _____
DANCE MOVE CELLPHONE ACTIVITY
your _____ _____."
ADJECTIVE BODY PART

"When you I was _____ you
LOCATION
_____ my eye. But it don't mean
VERBED
I'm a _____ kind of guy. So don't
CASINO ACTIVITY
_____ with Selena, 'cause she ain't
CAR ACTIVITY
_____."
PRINCESS ADJECTIVE

You My First Boo

For my mama

"Hey mama, I know you always gon'
_____ me. Even tho my
OBSESSIVE VERB
_____ and I gettin'
MY LITTLE PONY NAME
_____. Wait,
OLD WEST ADJECTIVE
_____ your ears, ma!"
'HOKEY POKEY' VERB

"Ma, get outta mah _____! You
PRIVATE SPACE
already _____ enough 'bout me
BRAIN ACTIVITY
and mah _____! I'mma hafta
TYPE OF FUZZY ANIMAL
_____ your _____."
PRISON GUARD ACTIVITY TYPE OF VEHICLE

Damn.

For Selena

"Damn, _____, that's all I gotta say.
SCI-FI NOUN
When I first _____ you, my
BIRDWATCHING VERB
_____ _____. And Usher
CAR PART CAR VERBED
was like _____!"
EXPLETIVE

"When we _____ 'Titanic,' da boat
SAILING ACTIVITY
wasn't all that _____ . The
ROLLER DERBY VERB
lights _____, and my lifeboat was
WEATHER VERB
like _____."
CAR EXPLOSION NOISE

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"Whattup, _____? This yo
BABY ANIMALS
_____, JB. I ain't no _____,
ROYAL TITLE TYPE OF FOOL
yo _____ got TWITPUNK'D."
BODY PARTS

"Daz right! Taylor Swift! Yo _____
INSTRUMENT
ain't _____!
STATE OF DISREPAIR
I'm jus' tweetin', _____!
DISTANT RELATIVE
Drake! Yo _____ ain't in
PIECE OF FURNITURE
_____! I'm jus' tweetin',
REMOTE LOCATION
_____! Ooops, dat one's true."
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red hot

O'yeah!

Conan O'Brien is coming back to Chicago! The jilted king of late night will tape four "Conan" shows at the Chicago Theatre from June 11-14, he announced Monday night on his show. Get all the details at **teamcoco.com/chicago.**

HOT DATE

JUNE 12

That's when Jimmy Fallon will release a comedy album titled "Blow Your Pants Off," **avclub.com** reports. And check out the list of featured guests: Justin Timberlake, Eddie Vedder, Bruce Springsteen and Paul McCartney, to name a few.

Matthew McConaughey
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STRIPPER SCIENCE

Matthew McConaughey needed to do just a little bit of research for his upcoming stripper movie, "Magic Mike." "Channing [Tatum] and I met early on and went by one male revue strip club in New Orleans and I was there for about an hour, and that was enough," McConaughey told **vulture.com**. "For me, that character in 'Magic Mike' was a combination of 'Clockwork Orange' and Jim Morrison. So I'll leave it at that."

Drake
REUTERS

Happy Drake

Drake is back in the studio, and he tells **billboard.com** his third album will be more upbeat than "Take Care," which he described as "down." "Now I'm in a very, very, very, very different place than I've ever been, really focused on myself, really focused on my health, my body, my mind, really wanting to be the best I can possibly be," he said.

LiLo protection

What does it cost to insure Lindsay Lohan in a movie these days? We're not exactly sure, but her new producer, Larry Thompson, told **eonline.com** that "Lohan may be the most insured actress that ever walked on a soundstage." Thompson, who's heading up the actress's role as Elizabeth Taylor in a Lifetime biopic, also admitted to relocating the shoot from Canada to L.A. to "minimize some risk." Since when is Canada riskier than L.A.?

> "In our world, 'SNL' doesn't exist, otherwise the universe would kind of collapse."
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> —**Tina Fey**, to **thr.com**, on keeping the "30 Rock" universe separate from the "Saturday Night Live" universe

Tina Fey
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